

Phase II and Phase III Project Cover Sheet

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REPORT INFORMATION:

2007 Gibb, J.G. and A.M. Beisaw
A Phase I Intensive Archaeological Survey of the Southern Half of Port Tobacco (18CH765 & 18CH94), Port Tobacco, Charles County, Maryland.
Submitted to the Society for the Restoration of Port Tobacco

Library ID No: 95001242 Catalog/Shelving ID: CH 148

Research Firm/Institution:

Gibb Archaeological Consulting
2554 Carrollton Road
Annapolis, MD 21403

Sites examined:

18CH94 18CH765

Project Details:

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| Phase I | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Project Justification: This report describes the results of a Phase I archeological survey in 2007 in the southern half of the village of Port Tobacco in Charles County. A total of 9 acres was surveyed to determine the approximate historical layout of this portion of the town of Port Tobacco. A Non-Capital grant for archeological survey, awarded to the Archeological Society of Maryland by the Maryland Historical Trust, underwrote a large part of the effort. The membership of the Society and other volunteers from around Maryland and neighboring states assisted in the field and laboratory work. |
| Phase II | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Phase III | <input type="checkbox"/> | |

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| Project Objectives: -Collect information on the internal structure of Port Tobacco (identify and accurately locate archeological features representing buildings, middens, activities, and roads). -Make preliminary assessments of the nature and integrity of identified features. -Locate and document any prehistoric resources within the survey area. |
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Research Potential:

See below for remaining research questions at 18CH94.

See below for remaining research questions at 18CH765.

REPORT INFORMATION:

2008 Gibb, J.G. and A.M. Beisaw
Seeking Port Tobacco: An Intensive Archaeological Investigation of a Maryland Town Site, Part 2.
Submitted to Preservation Maryland, Inc.

Library ID No: 95001243 Catalog/Shelving ID: CH 149

Research Firm/Institution:

Gibb Archaeological Consulting
2554 Carrollton Road
Annapolis, MD 21403

Sites examined:

18CH94 Others

Project Details:

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| Phase I | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Project Justification: This report describes a 2007 close-interval shovel testing survey at Port Tobacco in Charles County. Shovel testing was carried out at two 18th century standing structures in the town and in the Edelen fields south of the village (about 30 acres). Fieldwork was carried out by volunteers with the Archeological Society of Maryland and with support (funding and some staff time) from the Maryland Historical Trust. Additional funding was provided by Preservation Maryland and the Southern Maryland Heritage Area Consortium. |
| Phase II | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Phase III | <input type="checkbox"/> | |

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| Project Objectives: -Collect information on the internal structure of Port Tobacco (identify and accurately locate archeological features representing buildings, middens, activities, and roads). -Make preliminary assessments of the nature and integrity of identified features. -Locate and document any prehistoric resources within the survey area. |
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Research Potential:

See below for remaining research questions at 18CH94.

REPORT INFORMATION:

2008 Gibb, J.G., A.M. Beisaw, and P.C. Quantock

Research Firm/Institution:

Gibb Archaeological Consulting

Submitted to the Archeological Society of Maryland

Library ID No: 95001244 Catalog/Shelving ID: CH 150

Sites examined:

18CH94

Project Details:

Phase I

Phase II

Phase III



Project Justification:

This report describes 2008 test excavations in the western portion of Site 18CH94, the Port Tobacco site in Charles County. The focus of excavations was the area surrounding the standing Christ Episcopal Church, where potentially significant archeological resources were previously identified through intensive survey work. The testing was carried out as part of a 2008 field session in archeology by the Archeological Society of Maryland (ASM). Financial and logistical support for the field session was provided by the Archeological Society of Maryland, the Maryland Historical Trust, various volunteers, and Charles County.

Project Objectives:

-Examine 4 previously identified loci within 18CH94 to determine their state of preservation and potential for answering research questions related to Maryland history and prehistory.

Research Potential:

See below for remaining research questions at 18CH94.

REPORT INFORMATION:

2009 Quantock, P.C., A. Hayward, and K. Walter
The 2009 Field Session of the Archeological Society of Maryland: Site Examinations at Port Tobacco.
Submitted to the Archeological Society of Maryland and Maryland Historical Trust

Library ID No: 95001612 Catalog/Shelving ID: CH 164

Research Firm/Institution:

Gibb Archaeological Consulting
2554 Carrollton Road
Annapolis, MD 21403

Sites examined:

18CH94

Project Details:

Phase I

Phase II

Phase III



Project Justification:

This report describes 2009 test excavations in the western portion of Site 18CH94, the Port Tobacco site in Charles County. The focus of excavations was the Compton Field area, near the standing Christ Episcopal Church, where potentially significant archeological resources were previously identified through intensive survey work. The testing was carried out as part of a 2009 field session in archeology by the Archeological Society of Maryland (ASM). Financial and logistical support for the field session was provided by the Archeological Society of Maryland, the Maryland Historical Trust, various volunteers, and Charles County.

Project Objectives:

-Examine 3 previously identified loci within 18CH94 to determine their state of preservation and potential for answering research questions related to Maryland history and prehistory.

Research Potential:

See below for remaining research questions at 18CH94.

REPORT INFORMATION:

2011 Gibb, J.G. et. al.
Conspiracy! Port Tobacco and the Plot to Assassinate President Lincoln.
Submitted to the National Park Service and Charles County Government

Library ID No: 95001581 Catalog/Shelving ID: CH 162

Research Firm/Institution:

Gibb Archaeological Consulting
2554 Carrollton Road
Annapolis, MD 21403

Sites examined:

18CH94

18CH788

Project Details:

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| Phase I | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Project Justification: This report describes a research program begun in 2009 with the goal of investigating four loci within Port Tobacco (18CH94) and the nearby site of a purported Union Encampment (18CH788). The research was conducted under the terms of a Preserve America grant from the National Park Service. |
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| Phase III | | |

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| Project Objectives: -Examine 4 previously identified loci within 18CH94 to determine their state of preservation and potential for answering research questions related to Maryland history. -Conduct preliminary investigations at a purported Union Encampment from the time of the Civil War located by a local metal detector enthusiast. |
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Research Potential:

Final for 18CH94 here...

REPORT INFORMATION:

2011 Gibb, J.G.
Phase III Archaeological Data Recovery at the Burch House Site (18CH765), Port Tobacco, Charles County, Maryland.
Submitted to the Society for the Restoration of Port Tobacco

Library ID No: 95001865 Catalog/Shelving ID: CH 168

Research Firm/Institution:

Gibb Archaeological Consulting
2554 Carrollton Road
Annapolis, MD 21403

Sites examined:

18CH765

Project Details:

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| Phase I | | Project Justification: This report describes a 2010 data recovery project at the Burch House (18CH765) in Port Tobacco, Charles County. The Society for the Restoration of Port Tobacco, Inc., in cooperation with the Charles County government, sought and received approval from the Maryland Historical Trust (MHT), historical easement holders, for a 14 X 14 ft bathroom extension off of the west gable-end of the Burch House (or Cat Slide House). As a condition of approval, MHT required data recovery and the Society funded a Phase III work at the sites of the proposed ell, well, and pump-out septic tank. |
| Phase II | | |
| Phase III | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |

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| Project Objectives: -Attempt to model sedimentation around the Burch House and date, if possible, specific sedimentation episodes. -Determine if evidence exists to support the "local lore" that Washington Burch provided temporary quarters for the town's African American school after the school burned. -Assess whether or not specific deposits can be associated with specific households (Wares, Barnes, and Burch families). |
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Research Potential:

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